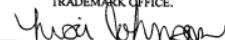


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Amendments to the Claims beginning on page 2; and

Remarks beginning on page 10.

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